WAUKESHA COUNTY AODA ADVISORY COMMITTEE TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2011

MINUTES

PRESENT: Mike O'Brien, Susie Austin, James Pearson, Lee Wipfli, Kathleen Books, Susan Andrews, Debra Adamus, Lou Hernandez, Rose Barton, Dennis Williams, Pat Miller

The meeting was called to order at 10:05 a.m.

INTRODUCTION OF MEMBERS AND GUESTS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of July 19, 2011 were approved. The motion to accept was made by Kathleen Books, seconded by Mike O'Brien.

PRESENTATION

Rebecca Luczaj, CJCC Coordinator.

The CJCC received a \$350,000 grant from the U.S. Department of Justice (USDOJ), Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) to begin a Drug Court. The three-year grant begins October 1, 2011 and lasts through September 30, 2014. The application for funding was prompted by a recommendation from the CJCC Drug Abuse Trends Committee, chaired by District Attorney Brad Schimel, which was formed in late 2010 to examine the rising opiate abuse problem within the county.

The existing Alcohol Treatment Court (ATC) staffing team will be utilized for the Drug Court. The program will consist of a deferred prosecution design where the District Attorney will make eligibility determination. Only nonviolent adult offenders are eligible for the program, which will be a minimum of 12 months in length. The project proposes to serve 75 offenders over the three-year grant period and will require rigorous drug testing to maintain accountability.

Temple University will be conducting the program evaluation and the case management will go out for competitive bid. The County Board will be voting on accepting the federal funding at its October 25, 2011 meeting.

Luczaj discussed a second grant recently received by the CJCC from the Wisconsin Office of Justice Assistance (OJA) to provide Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) training incentives to local law enforcement agencies. The grant period began April 1, 2011 and will continue through March 31, 2012. The project will offer stipends to local police departments for up to 66 officers to be trained and certified in CIT, which is a 40-hour training. The goal of the project is to ultimately reduce the number of mentally ill offenders in the Waukesha County Jail by providing officers the education and tools necessary to identify mentally ill individuals, properly de-

escalate crisis situations, and make appropriate referrals to mental health services in the community instead of making an arrest.

Luczaj briefly discussed the recent low enrollment rate for the Alcohol Treatment Court Program. Some causes for the drop in enrollments are a duplication of services resulting from new Wisconsin Department of Corrections (DOC) supervision guidelines for 2nd and 3rd OWI offenders and offenders recently being placed on electronic monitoring by the Sheriff's Department who otherwise would have participated in the program. Both issues have been addressed, and an increase in enrollments is expected.

AGENCY UPDATES

Get Your Loved One Sober begins in October on Mondays at 6:00pm at the Addiction Resource Council. Your choice will be speaking at Oconomowoc High School on September 20th, 2011.

Lee Wipfli mentioned the upcoming Recovery luncheon in Madison on Sept 19 with the speaker William Cope Meyers. Meyers wrote the highly recommended book Broken.

Volunteers – there are a number who have applied that need to be interviewed. There is a caregiver check by Health & Human Services. St. Vincent de Paul has a women's program.

Citizen Member – asked to invite Mike DeMares to October meeting. The unmet need for early intervention services to serve young people has support in the current budget. It would provide support for a Youth and Teen Specialist position at the Addiction Resource Council. Peter Schuler remarked that great job of identifying needs through AODA Advisory Committee.

The County will keep the WCTC program in the budget. The budget is voted on in November.

AODA STAFF LIAISON REPORT

On 9/26/2011 we are beginning the adolescent program. The age is 14 to 17 and Lori McIlroy is case manager. Karen Gust-Brey is Psychologist (stress management, family etc.) John is handling education. It is handled by some insurance companies. The training is October 17 – for Health and Human Services counselors.

NOMINATIONS FOR CHAIR

Susie Austin and James Pearson are new co-chair.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Recorded by Kathleen Brooks

Approved on		
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